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FOR DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: AODE
SUBJECT: MODE--EVALUATION OF PERSONNEL LEVELS BY CHIEF OF MISSION

REF: SINGAPORE 5149

1. WE HAVE DISCUSSED WITH LOCAL COAST GUARD REPRESENTATIVES OUR REFTEL RECOMMENDATION FOR REDUCING THE SIZE OF THE COAST GUARD OFFICE IN SINGAPORE OR RELOCATING IT ELSEWHERE.

2. THE COAST GUARD REPRESENTATIVES TOLD US THAT THE QUESTION OF RELOCATING THEIR PACIFIC AREA PERSONNEL IS CURRENTLY UNDER ACTIVE CONSIDERATION IN THE LIGHT OF THE SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE IN THEIR WORK LOAD IN JAPAND KOREA. THE POSSIBILITY OF TRANSFERRING ONE OF THE SINGAPORE POSITIONS TO JAPAN IS BEING EXAMINED IN THIS CONNECTION.

3. THE COAST GUARD REPRESENTATIVES FELT STRONGLY THAT THE SINGAPORE OFFICE, EVEN IF REDUCED IN SIZE, SHOULD NOT BE CLOSED ENTIRELY. IN THEIR VIEW, THERE CONTINUES TO BE SUFFICIENT WORK IN THE AREA COVERED MOST EFFECTIVELY FROM SINGAPORE TO WARRANT
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AT A MINIMUM ONE FULL-TIME OFFICER. THEY NOTE THAT THEIR WORK LOAD IN THIS AREA MAY INCREASE SUBSTANTIALLY AS THE TWO INDONESIAN LNG PROJECTS REACH THEIR FULL SCHEDULED EXPORT LEVELS IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS.

4. AS INDICATED REFTEL, THE SINGAPORE COAST GUARD OFFICE CONSISTS OF TWO OFFICERS, ONE ENLISTED MAN AND TWO LOCAL

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EMPLOYEES. IF THE OFFICE WERE REDUCED BY THE TRANSFER OF ONE
OF THE OFFICERS, IT MIGHT ALSO BE POSSIBLE TO RELOCATE
ADMINISTRATIVE AND HOUSEKEEPING TASKS TO DO AWAY WITH THE SERVICES
OF THE ENLISTED MAN AS WELL. THIS POSSIBILITY WAS NOT DISCUSSED
WITH THE COAST GUARD REPRESENTATIVES, SINCE WE WERE UNSURE
AS TO ITS FEASIBILITY. WOULD APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT'S ADVISE.
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